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RDID 0043 US**OFFICIAL****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re application of: Zimmer**

Application No.: 09/554,793      Group No.: 1743

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For: Capillary Active Test Element Having an Intermediate Layer  
Situated Between the Support and the CoveringBox RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Sir:

**REMARKS**

It is noted that a translation of the priority document DE 197 53 850.9 will be filed shortly following this submission.

It is requested that this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0877 (with reference to RDID 0043 US).

Respectfully submitted,

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